## Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County

# **Wrecker-Towing Service Fees**

Metropolitan Code of Law 6.80

## I. RATES FOR EMERGENCY WRECKER SERVICES DIRECTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT.

#### Towing/Recovery - Vehicles 7,000 Pounds GVWR and Under.

- 1. Towing (No additional fees may be charged for using other equipment, including dollies, trailers, lifts, slim-jims, go-jacks, winching, or for mileage\*)
  - a. Vehicles towed to the Metro Impound Lot from inside and including the Inner (I-40/I-24/I-65) Loop: \$155
  - b. Vehicles towed to the Metro Impound Lot from outside the Inner Loop, to and including the Briley Parkway/White Bridge Road/Woodmont Avenue/Thompson Lane Loop: \$165
  - c. Vehicles towed to the Metro Impound Lot from outside the Briley Parkway/White Bridge Road/Woodmont Avenue/Thompson Lane Loop, to the Davidson County line: \$175
  - d. Vehicles towed to the Company Lot at the direction of a police officer:
    - i. Vehicles involved in an accident: \$175
    - ii. All other vehicles: \$175
- \*Mileage: Charges for mileage may only be incurred for out-of-county miles, and only when towing at a police officer's request. This rate is not to exceed \$4.50 per mile.
- 2. Labor: Charges for labor, including winching, may be charged only after the first hour, and may not exceed a rate of \$150 per hour. If more than one wrecker is required to remove a vehicle, the rate chargeable for each additional wrecker may not exceed the base rate of \$150 per hour after the first hour. Wrecker companies are authorized to charge an additional fee of \$50 for any winching performed over 50 feet off the road way.

### Towing/Recovery - Vehicles Over 7,000 Pounds GVWR.

Base Rates – "Towed" vehicles are vehicles which can be driven, but are towed to the lot at the request of the owner or police officer. "Driver" vehicles are vehicles driven to the lot by a wrecker company driver at the request of the owner or police officer. "Wrecked" vehicles are vehicles which cannot be driven, and must be towed to the lot.

	Recovery Base Rate		
	Towed	Driven	Wrecked
Straight Trucks, Vans,	\$275	\$175	\$350
etc.:			
Tandem-Axle, Not	\$320	\$195	\$395
Loaded:			
Tandem-Axle, Loaded:	\$345	\$195	\$425
Recreational Vehicles:			
25 Feet & Under in	\$275	\$175	\$340
Length			
Over 25 Feet in Length:	\$375	\$195	\$450
Buses (Large):	\$375	\$195	\$450

#### **Additional Fees:**

Hourly Rate for necessary preparation or removal of bumpers, drive shafts before towing is possible, and reconnection after towing: \$140 per hour.

Labor Rates after first hour for wrecker and driver:

Class B Wrecker	\$215
Class C Wrecker	\$315
Class C Rotator, if Needed	\$415

When wreckers are required to wait at the scene for functions to be performed by others (e.g., emergency personnel), waiting time charges may not exceed one-half the allowable labor rate. When the use of outside labor and equipment is required, charges may include not more than 35% mark-up.

When the use of air bags is required under special recovery circumstances, an additional rate of \$5000 may be charged. Recovery of vehicle submerged in water: \$315. Recovery of vehicle burned by fire: \$250. Set out fee \$35 or proof of insurance in full force & effect.

#### **Emergency Wrecker Services Storage Rates**

Storage rate, per day, after the first two hours, is as follows (fee for the second day of storage may not be charged until the vehicle has been held on the lot for twenty-six hours).\*\*

Motorcycle, ATV	\$25
Mower, Miscellaneous Equipment	\$25
Car	\$40
Tractor	\$60
Motor Home, 26 Feet & Under in	\$50
Length	
Motor Home, More than 26 Feet in	\$60
Length	
Tractor-Trailer, Commercial Bus,	\$60
House Trailer	
Boat, Under 19 Feet in Length	\$30
Boat, 19-26 Feet in Length	\$40
Boat, More than 26 Feet in Length	\$50

<sup>\*\*</sup>No storage fee may be charged for vehicles stored two hours or less.

## II. RATES FOR NON-CONCENT TOWING FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY, STORAGE.

Any towing and storage firm engaged in the business of non-consent towing from private property shall not charge the owner of any towed vehicle or personal property in excess of the following:

#### 1. Towing:

Vehicles Under 7,000 pounds GVWR	\$155
Vehicles Over 7,000 pounds GVWR	\$275
Length of 25 Feet and Under	\$275
Length More than 25 Feet	\$375

The towing fee shall be all-inclusive. No additional fees may be charged for using dollies, trailers, lifts, slim-jims or any other equipment or service or for mileage.

2. <u>Storage:</u> The maximum fee for storage of any vehicle removed from private property is \$40 per day. No storage fee may be charged for vehicles stored two hours or less.

#### **III. OTHER RATES**

**Drop Fee:** All licensees who engage in the business of towing vehicles from public or private property shall post a notice on each vehicle, in letters not less than two (2) inches high and appearing in a legible manner on the boom or rear of the wrecker as follows:

## "FEE TO DROP VEHICLE BEFORE DEPARTING: \$75.00"

If the owner or operator of the vehicle is present and removes the vehicle to be towed from the premises before it is connected to the towing vehicle, the owner or operator shall not be charged any fee.

#### Vehicles over 7,000 pounds: C-Class Drop Fee: \$175

If the owner or operator is present after the towing vehicle has been connected to the vehicle to be towed, then the vehicle shall not be towed: but the owner or operator shall be liable for the drop fee, in lieu of towing, provided that the owner or operator forthwith removes the vehicle from the premises. A vehicle shall be deemed connected if every procedure required to secure the vehicle to the wrecker or wrecker equipment so that the vehicle may be safely towed has been completed at the time the owner or operator arrives, including the attachment of any safety chains.

<u>Lienholder Processing Fee</u> In addition to the rates authorized above, wrecker companies are authorized to charge a one-time administrative processing fee of \$35 for any car remaining in storage on the company lot for twenty four hours, to offset direct costs for notification of the owner or lienholder as required by state law, and an additional \$25 administration processing fee for each additional notification sent to the owner or lienholder as required by law.

In the event the interior of a salvageable vehicle will be exposed to the elements, wrecker companies are authorized to charge a one-time fee of \$40 for materials and labor associated with wrapping a vehicle to protect the interior.

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